



GEORGE W. HILL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

*Thornton,
Pennsylvania*

Client: Delaware County Board of Prison Inspectors

Location: Thornton, Delaware County, Pennsylvania

Contract Duration

- Initial management of existing 1,000-bed prison contract term of three years from service commencement date (09/95–09/98).
- County's Operations Representative on the Design-Build Team of a new 1,538 bed County Prison for two years (September 1995 – August 1997).
- Management Contract of five years for the new 1,538 bed correctional facility, expiring 10/14/03.
- New contract 06/01/03-05/31/09 (3-year base with subsequent terms of 3 years (unlimited) with provisions for the construction by the county of a new 206-bed General Population Unit and a 46-bed expansion to the Special Care Medical Unit which are expected to open by the third quarter 2004.

Background

The GEO Group received the award to provide correctional services to the existing facility on August 4, 1995 with a transition commencement date of April 1, 1996. An additional award was also made for The GEO Group to serve as design/build manager for a new 1,538 bed facility to replace the existing prison and to provide correctional management and operations services at the new county prison upon completion. This bed capacity has since been increased to 1,592.

Scope of Work

The GEO Group assumed the provision of comprehensive and complete correctional services at the existing county prison after a one-month transition period which commenced on April 1, 1996. During operation of the existing facility, The GEO Group served as the design/build manager for the new facility that was completed in October 1998. The GEO Group provides the gamut of services to

include food service; maintenance; chaplaincy; educational, vocational, substance abuse, life skills and other rehabilitative programs. The operation of the facility infuses more than \$20 million to the local economy in the form of payroll, goods and services purchased locally including small/disadvantaged businesses and utilities.

The existing prison housed 60% pre-trial detainees and 40% sentenced prisoners. Current population consists of adult males, adult females, and juveniles in all classification categories. Inmate sentences vary and under Pennsylvania Statute, counties may detain sentenced prisoners for a period up to four (4) years and 364 days (1 day less than 5 years). Inmate to security staff ratio is 5.6:1.

Facility Description

The former 1,000-bed County Prison is vintage 1930. The state-of-the-art new correctional facility is a pre-cast cell construction with CCTV and microwave systems. Guard dogs patrol the areas between the fences. The new facility is designed to be expandable to 2,000 beds. Initial intake at the new prison began in August 1998 with the relocation of female inmates from the old prison. Transfer of the male inmate population began in October 1998. The GEO Group provides full and comprehensive correctional services at the prison on a five (5) year renewable operations and management contract.

Accreditation

Initial accreditation by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) was awarded to the old facility in June 1996. NCCHC accreditation of the new facility was received in February 2000 and was re-accredited in June 2003. In April 2001, the facility was granted accreditation by the American Correctional Association (ACA) with a score of 98.4%. This accreditation stands out since it is **the first county jail in the state of Pennsylvania to be accredited by the ACA.**





LAWTON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Lawton, Oklahoma

Client

State of Oklahoma

Location

Lawton, Comanche County, Oklahoma

Contract Duration

Initial period beginning July 1998 and ending on June 30, 1999 and renewable by mutual agreement for periods of four, one-year options. New contract awarded June 2, 2003 for five years from 07/01/03 to 06/30/08.

Background

On May 14, 1997, the prison Task Force, appointed by the Lawton, Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce and Industry, selected The GEO Group as the recommended company to construct and manage a 1,500-bed private prison in Comanche County. The Task Force, which was made up of city, county and chamber officials, passed a resolution to encourage state and local elected officials to support The GEO Group in gaining a contract with the State of Oklahoma. This contract was successfully negotiated on April 16, 1998. In May 1999, a sixth housing unit was opened raising the capacity to 1918. The new contract in 2003 provided for an increase in capacity to 1,900.

Scope of Work

The center consists of six double-celled, medium security housing units including a double-celled

segregation unit. The entire facility has been designed to be American Correctional Association compliant.

Among the different services provided are: Adult Basic Education (ABE), P-GED, GED, Therapeutic Community, Protective Custody, Life Skills, Substance Abuse and Vocational courses, as well as access to the law library and leisure library. Other services include a fully-staffed medical department gymnasium/recreational facility, and various religious services.

Facility Description

The facility allows for cost-effective utilization of security staff and thereby allows for enhanced programmatic activities without significant budgetary implications. The medical unit is designed consistent with the needs of the inmate population. A fully equipped kitchen provides meals for inmates and staff. Indoor and outdoor recreation areas are also provided.

Accreditation

On December 1, 1999, the Lawton Correctional Facility became the **first private correctional facility in the world** to receive accreditation from the **Correctional Education Association** (CEA) and was re-accredited in July 2003. The facility received accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) in September 2000 and was re-accredited in September 2003 with a score of 100%. Accreditation by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCCHC) was granted in March 2001.



LEA COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Hobbs, New Mexico



Client: New Mexico Corrections Department.

Location: Hobbs, Lea County, New Mexico.

Contract Duration: 5 Years—05/98 to 06/30/03 with up to (5) one year extensions. Current extension to 07/01/05.

Background

During February 1996, the New Mexico Corrections Department issued a request for proposals for the design, finance, construction and private operation of a 1,200-bed multi-security classification prison on land provided by the Lea County Industrial Development Authority in Hobbs, New Mexico. The contract award occurred in April 1996. The site is located on land that was originally a World War II B-17 Training Base. The land was subsequently deeded to the local community by the U.S. Government for future development. Only the concrete runways remain as evidence of the property's former use. The prison was the first economic development effort on this former Air Base.

Scope of Work

The facility's housing areas consists of a double-celled, medium security unit; and a single-celled, administrative segregation unit. The entire facility was designed to comply with American Correctional Association standards. The medium security unit's double-cells are 120 square feet each, specifically designed to meet ACA standards.

The contract award was for the design, construction, finance, and operation of the facility with operations to

begin in the Second Quarter 1998. The facility received its first inmates on May 15, 1998. The Operations Contract is for five years with subsequent renewal options. At the end of 20 years, the State of New Mexico has reserved the right to purchase the facility. The GEO Group is responsible for providing: facility administration, fiscal management, personnel and training, programs and recreation, sanitation and hygiene, volunteer and religious programs, security, safety and control, classification, education, inmate work programs, counseling and mental health services, food services, commissary, discipline and grievances, libraries and 60,000 square feet of industries area. The facility currently operates a state industry program.

Facility Description

The 359,129 square foot facility is located on an 80-acre site, is inside a double fenced security perimeter that utilizes microwave intrusion detection. The facility complex consists of an Administration/Visitation Building, an Education/Library Building, an Intake-Release and Medical Complex, an Industries building, four double-celled medium security housing buildings, one double-celled, maximum security housing building, and two gymnasiums.

Accreditations

The facility received accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) in August 2000 with an **outstanding score of 100% and was re-accredited in May 2003, again with a score of 100%.**



MARSHALL COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Holly Springs, Mississippi



Client

Mississippi Department of Corrections

Location

Holly Springs, Marshall County, Mississippi

Contract Duration

Construction Finance - 20 years. Operation/Management – Awarded 12/02/94 with unlimited two-year options. Current option expires 10/06/03. Extended to 06/30/04.

Background

The GEO Group was awarded a contract for the design, financing, acquiring, leasing, constructing and operating of a 1000-bed, medium security correctional facility for adult male offenders.

Scope of Work

The mission of the facility is to provide a secure, cost-effective environment capable of accommodating medium custody male inmates in a secure setting that maximizes the opportunity for personal development through access to academic and vocational training, work opportunities, substance abuse programs, counseling and open communication with qualified staff, while providing humane care and positive treatment.

Facility Description

The GEO Group maintained design and construction oversight of this project to ensure full compliance with all standards and requirements.

Three-fourths of the 1000-man population are housed in 65-man dormitory units. Four 65-man dormitory units constitute a 260-man dormitory cluster. There are three separate 260-man dormitory cluster buildings. A cell block with 125 double cells is separated into five housing units of 25 cells each and houses a total of 250 inmates.

By design, the 1000 inmate population is maintained in 17 small, manageable cohesive groupings. The overall design of the facility allows for direct line-of-sight observation further enhanced by a CCTV system. Facility design allows for cost-effective utilization of security staff and thereby allows for enhanced programmatic activities without significant budgetary implications. A fully equipped kitchen provides meals for inmates and staff. Indoor and outdoor recreation is provided.

Accreditation

Marshall County is the first adult correctional institution in the State of Mississippi to receive accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) and National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC). ACA accreditation was received in July 1997 with a commendable score of 99.3%. The facility was re-accredited in January 2001 with a score of 99.75% and again in September 2003 with a score of 100%. NCCHC accreditation was received in February 1998 and was reaccredited in March 2001.





RIVERS CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

*Winton
North Carolina*

Client: US Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons

Location

Winton, Hertford County, North Carolina

Contract Duration

Opened March 2001. Operations contract: Three-years plus (7) one-year options expiring 03/06/11.

Background

The National Capital Revitalization Act of 1997 mandated that the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) house District of Columbia sentenced felons in private contract facilities. The BOP adopted a course of action that included soliciting competitive bids for contract facilities, closing the existing Lorton facility, and transferring the inmates to the contracted facilities. On March 7, 2000, the BOP signed a contract with The GEO Group to provide and operate a 1200-bed, low security, adult male facility in Winton, North Carolina. The facility was built within 12 months at a cost of \$55,000.00.

Scope of Work

The GEO Group provides comprehensive correctional services to the BOP that include designing, building, financing, owning, operating and managing a 1200-bed, all double-cell, state-of-the-art correctional facility for low security adult males. Construction began within a week of contract signing. The all cell design was chosen to enhance security and provide flexibility in housing assignments. After the BOP approved the completed facility and issued a Notice to Proceed, the BOP began a gradual input of approximately 40 to 80 inmates per week until reaching capacity in order to assure a smooth activation.

Programs offered include ABE P-GED; GED; Life Skills, including Anger Management and Parenting Skills; Substance Abuse Education; and Vocational Education courses, including training for work in the Prison Industries program. Inmates have access to a law library and a general interest library. Religious services appropriate to the needs of the inmate population are available. Inmate Services include a fully-staffed healthcare unit, a fully equipped kitchen for complete food services, a laundry, a commissary, and indoor and outdoor gymnasium/recreational facilities.

Facility Description

Located on a 257-acre tract in a rural area west of Winton, North Carolina, in Hertford County, the facility is a campus design with four housing buildings, indoor and outdoor recreational areas, a central programs building, an administrative building exterior to the two perimeter fences, a prison industries building, and four perimeter guard towers. The design enables cost-effective utilization of security staff supplemented by modern electronic surveillance, which in turn allows enhanced programmatic activities without significant budgetary implications. The healthcare unit's design is consistent with the predicted needs of the population. A large, fully equipped kitchen provides meals for inmates and staff.

Accreditation

Accreditation was received from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) in January 2003 with an outstanding score of 99.9%. The facility underwent their initial accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) in October 2002 and received an outstanding score of 99.75%.





SOUTH BAY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

South Bay, Florida

Client: State of Florida - Correctional Privatization Commission.

Location: South Bay, Palm Beach County, Florida

Contract Duration: February 3, 1997 for three years, with unlimited extensions of two years each. Current contract extended to 06/30/04.

Background: The GEO Group was awarded a contract for the design, finance, acquisition, lease, construction and operations of this 1,318-bed, medium and close custody secure correctional facility for adult male inmates on December 15, 1994. Construction was completed in early 1997. Groundbreaking began on January 30, 1996. Initial inmate intake commenced on February 3, 1997. Overall capacity was increased to 1,436 beds in September 1999. Expiration of the contract with the Florida Department of Children & Families (DCF) reverted to the original 1,318-bed operation.

Scope of Work: The mission of the facility is to provide a secure, cost-effective environment capable of accommodating minimum, medium, and close custody male inmates. The facility was designed to provide the inmate population a setting that maximizes the opportunity for personal development through access to academic and vocational training, work opportunities, substance abuse programs, counseling, and open communication with qualified staff, while providing humane care and positive treatment. A new Prison Industries Program was announced in July 1999. This new program involving PRIDE of Florida employs inmates to refurbish torque converters and package them for shipping. Production began on July 16, 2001 and currently employs 30 inmates.

In September 1999, The GEO Group entered into an agreement with the Florida Department of Children & Families for the temporary housing of detainees under the "Jimmy Ryce Involuntary Civil Commitment for Sexually Violent Predators." Upon completion of its new facility, the Department commenced a phase out of the temporary operation and transfer of the detainees. The contract with the agency expired May 2, 2002.

Facility Description: Since inception, The GEO Group maintained design and construction oversight of this project to ensure full compliance with all standards and requirements.

South Bay Correctional Facility is a close custody, adult male facility located at the southwest corner of Lake Okeechobee in South Bay, Florida. The facility provides 1000 general population beds in four separate housing units. All are double occupancy cell construction. There are 320 general population beds in an open dormitory building utilized for a Level III drug treatment program known as the Therapeutic Community. (TC). The TC is licensed as a residential Level III Drug Treatment Program by the Florida Department of Children and Families. The Management Unit has 152 beds for administrative and confinement status inmates. The facility is strongly program-oriented and has vocational, as well as, academic training. Over 80% of the total population participates in some form of education, substance abuse, or life skills programming. The facility also has several recreation areas, both outside the building and enclosed for management inmates.

The overall design of the facility allows for direct line-of-sight observation further enhanced by a CCTV system. Facility design also allows for cost-effective utilization of security staff and thereby allows for enhanced programmatic activities without significant budgetary implications. A fully-equipped kitchen provides meals for inmates and staff.

Accreditations: The facility received accreditation from the **American Correctional Association (ACA)** in August 1998 with a score of 99.8% and was re-accredited in January 2002 with a score of 99.6%. The medical unit received certification from the **National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC)** in October 1998 and again in September 2001. **South Bay and Moore Haven, both The GEO Group facilities, were the first privatized facilities to receive such accreditation in the State of Florida.** The facility was certified by the **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools** in November 2002, making it the first correctional facility in Florida to receive this honor.





KUTAMA- SINTHUMULE MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON

*Louis Trichardt
Northern Province
Republic of South
Africa*

Client

Republic of South Africa Department of Correctional Services

Location

Northern Province, Republic of South Africa

Contract Duration

25 years

Background

On July 27, 1999, South African Custodial Services (SACS) was awarded a contract to finance, design, construct, operate and maintain a 3,024-bed maximum security prison in the Northern Province. SACS is comprised of two equal partners: The GEO Group and Kensani Corrections Ltd. South African Custodial Management (The GEO Group Australia) is a subcontractor to SACS. It is owned 50% by The GEO Group, 30% by Kensani and 20% by Fidelity Guards.

Scope of Work

Finance, design, construct, operate and maintain a 3,024-bed maximum security prison for sentenced male inmates. The new prison is designed and operated in a manner that ensures the prison population within its perimeter behaves in a controlled and orderly

manner. Inmates will be held in individual, double and six-bed cells with integral sanitation. The facility offers structured day programs, including work, education, training, recreation, physical education, counseling.

Facility Description

SACS has designed housing units that group similar populations around a common core design and incorporate education, sport, recreation, vocational training, and healthcare into central areas. Each housing group has its own outdoor recreation pavilion and adjacent recreation court. Meals are served in the common area of each housing unit eliminating the need for a dining hall and preventing intermingling of inmates. Prison support services are centrally located for ease of delivery. The infrastructure is designed to accommodate up to 3,024 beds. Cells in the general housing units are comprised of 240 double occupancy cells (720 beds in three buildings) and 384 six-bed cells (2304 beds). The visitor center accommodates 150 visitors and 50 inmates.

